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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Secretary of State - Notary Public Fees and Travel Expenses**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the maximum fees that the Secretary of State may  
4 establish by regulation for a notary public to charge for each notarial act and for  
5 travel compensation.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
7 Article - State Government  
8 Section 18-112  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

13 **Article - State Government**

14 18-112.

15 (a) The Secretary of State shall adopt regulations to establish fees, not to  
16 exceed [\$2] \$5 for an original notarial act, and an appropriate lesser amount NOT TO  
17 EXCEED \$3 for the repetition of that original notarial act or to make a copy of the  
18 matter addressed by that original notarial act.

1 (b) A notary public may charge [19] 34 cents per mile, or a higher amount set  
2 by regulation of the Secretary of State, and a fee not to exceed [5] \$10, as  
3 compensation for travel required for the performance of a notarial act.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
5 October 1, 2004.